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Lowell P. Braxton, Director Division of Oil Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Re: Drum Mine Closure

Dear Lowell:

This letter is sent in appreciation of your Division's efforts towards successful completion of the Drum Mine closure. We wish to compliment you and your staff's diligent efforts. We feel that your agency's coordination and ownership in bringing this project to a successful conclusion were exemplary. The final reclamation is a benefit to public lands in the area and to water quality.

Similar progress has been made in addressing the North Lily Mine closure. Although this effort is not yet complete, we appreciate your staffs' efforts to date and the opportunity to work with you on this issue.

Sincerely,

Don A. Ostler, P.E. Director, Division of Water Quality

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cc: Dianne Nielson Kathleen Clark

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